RESOLUTION 209 MS. EARLEAN TOWNSEND

WHEREAS, Earlean was active in most of the ministries of the church. Her legacy is her leadership, dedication and devotion to the church. She served as secretary to the pastor for both Rev. I. C. Peay and Rev. Dr. Carlton Caldwell and was the church's trip coordinator, fundraiser champion, and go to person; and

WHEREAS, she was a 50+ year disciple at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church. She was a servant leader in the Ushers and Nurses ministries at Galilee, in the Berean District, and the Missionary Baptist State Convention of Missourian; and

WHEREAS, she tried to help everyone she could and was concerned about her fellow man. Her concern was truly for the sick and shut-in and disciples who sit on the sidelines; and

WHEREAS, she founded the Galilee Christmas Post Office, where the church could bring their cards in to church and they would be bundled and distributed to recipients. In her honor, the name has been changed to Earlean Townsend Postal Station at Galilee.

WHEREAS, Sister Townsend found a way to keep everyone engaged in the work of the church. As a result of her mission work, 1978 she obtained the status of Life Member in Berean District and later State Life Member status.

WHEREAS, Earlean Townsend was also a member of the Roseziner Pryor Platinum Roses Red Hat Society where she was affectionately known as Queen Earlean and served as the event coordinator at the group's inception; and

WHEREAS, she was devoted to learning and teaching about Jesus, His works, and what it meant to be Baptist as evidenced from her many years as a Galilee Sunday School teacher and president of the Baptist Training Union. At the Wednesday Evening Together (WET) meetings she made sure that dinner was prepared and that the people were fed physically and spiritually.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to mourn the passing of Ms. Earlean Townsend and to recognize her many years of ministry, and many contributions to the City of St. Louis, and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced this 31st day of December, 2018 by:

The Honorable Samuel L. Moore, Alderman 4th Ward

Adopted this 31st day of December, 2018 as attested by:

Louis Galli
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen